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WORKPLAN OBJECTIVES FISCAL YEAR 2006

CENTRAL REGION AIRPORTS DIVISION

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION FLIGHT PLAN 2006-2010

WHO WE ARE IS WHAT WE STAND FOR

The mission of the Federal Aviation Administration is to provide the safest, most efficient aerospace system in the world.

Our vision is to improve continuously the safety and efficiency of aviation, while being responsive to our customers and accountable to the public

We conduct our business in accordance with these values:

- Safety is our passion. We are the world leaders in aerospace safety.
- Quality is our trademark. We serve our country, our customers, and each other.
- **Integrity is our character.** We do the right thing, even when no one is looking.
- **People are our strength.** We treat each other as we want to be treated.

MESSAGE FROM CENTRAL REGION'S AIRPORTS DIVISION

Fiscal 2005 was another year of exceptional achievement in the airports segment of aviation. In this region, we issued 183 grants totaling \$198.5 M. And, with your help, we were able to meet or exceed every one of our goals for the year. This is our report to you on those accomplishments as well as our workplan objectives for the coming year.

As we all know, runway safety is a top airports program priority. In that regard, we issued a number of grants to improve runway signage, marking and lighting and to rehabilitate some of the runways that were in poor condition. Runway safety areas for our priority runways and the reduction in runway incursions caused by Vehicle/Pedestrian Deviations (V/PDs) received continued emphasis. In Central, there was only one V/PD-related incursion last year.

We were most gratified with your response to FAA's Customer Service Survey this past year which revealed that you rated this region's Airports Division either above or well above the average for the airports program nationwide in such areas as responsiveness, communications and outreach, and interaction with our staff. Please continue to tell us what you need and let us know what we can do to better serve you.

As I wrote you last year, our collaborative efforts have given us all an enviable record of maintaining and improving this region's airports infrastructure. The members of this division and I continue to be grateful for the very positive and productive relationships we've been able to build and for your professional participation in our partnership!

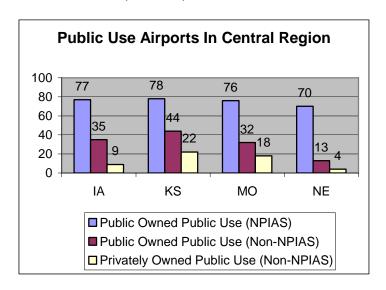
For Central Region's Airports Division,

George A. Hendon

AIRPORTS BY TYPE AND STATE

There are approximately 19,847 landing areas in the United States; the vast majority are airports, but the total figure includes heliports, stolports and seaplane bases as well. Of the total, 14,586 are private use, and 5,261 are open to the public. About 3,390 of those open to the public are included in the National Plan of Integrated Airport System (NPIAS), a prerequisite for federal grant-in-aid eligibility through the Airport Improvement Program (AIP). There are slightly over 300 NPIAS airports in Central Region.

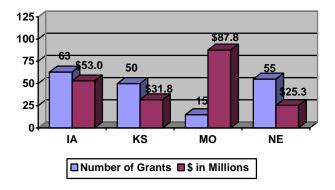
The following table represents the number of public use airports existing in each state: the number included in the NPIAS; the number publicly owned but not included in the NPIAS; and the number privately owned (by definition not included in the NPIAS) even though open to the public. Note that all airports included in the NPIAS are open to the public.

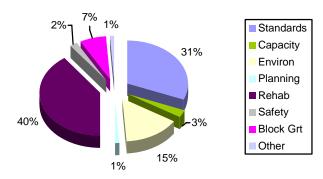


Not included in the above are the nearly 800 privately owned, private use airports, which though not subject to many Federal regulations, represent a significant aviation resource. By state there are 113 in Iowa, 227 in Kansas, 275 in Missouri and 176 in Nebraska.

AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANTS

The region issued 183 grants in FY 2005 for a total of \$198.5 million. Included in the total were \$54.4 million of entitlements (plus \$34.2 million in non-primary entitlements), \$17.6 million of state general aviation apportionment and \$90.4 million discretionary. Shown below are the numbers of grants and total dollars, by state.





The pie chart, above, shows the percentage of how the \$198.5M was spent for various categories. The 2% for "Safety" is but a fraction of total safety expenditures. Most of the expenditures for "Standards" (31%) and a substantial portion of "Rehabilitation" costs (40%) are for bringing airfields up to our design standards or for maintaining pavement in a safe condition, both of which are for safety.

CENTRAL REGION AIRPORTS DIVISION

SYSTEM EFFICIENCY

Construction of parallel runway at Lambert-St. Louis (STL) continued on schedule for the April 2006 opening. Grading completed and paving well underway. Over 80% increase in capacity during IFR conditions projected.

ENVIRONMENT

Issued over \$24.7M in grants for noise projects that will benefit about 869 residents.

Monitored the ongoing Part 150 Noise Study at Spirit of St. Louis Airports, Chesterfield. MO.

SAFETY

Developed and implemented system for tracking the condition of runway pavement at the region's NPIAS airports, finding only nine runways (less than 2%) rated "poor". Four of these runways are programmed for rehabilitation in FY06.

Initiated programming or issued grants to continue bringing safety areas (RSAs) into compliance with our runway safety standards.

Completed all required part 139 inspections and follow-up reviews to assure timely resolution of open discrepancies and participated in all of the regional Runway Safety Action Team (RSAT) airport meetings.

Provided special emphasis on implementation of the new Part 139 regulations. A powerpoint briefing on the changes to Part 139 was prepared and distributed to all certificated airports in the Central Region. In addition, a sample Airport Certification Manual (ACM) was prepared and distributed to all certificated airports to provide assistance in writing an ACM addressing the new Part 139 requirements. All Class I ACMs were approved and new Airport Operating Certificates were issued prior to the regulation deadline.

2005 ACCOMPLISHMENTS ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE

By year-end, 100% of our grants that had been inactive for 18 months or longer were reactivated. In addition, 99% of all grants issued in 2001 or prior years had

been closed out.

Over 99% of all construction, equipment and land grants issued were based on bids. Met 100% of national targets for timely grant issuance and for identification of carryover funds.

Results of the agency's national customer service survey conducted last year were very encouraging: Your ratings placed this division from slightly above to well above those of our counterparts. Nevertheless, we continued to emphasize customer service by meeting with sponsors and consultants whenever possible, and by:

- Conducting another successful Airports Conference for over 400 participants.
- Enhancing customer access to Airports guidance and information by reviewing and validating content posted on Airports Division's website.

Began utilizing a labor distribution reporting system to better identify opportunities for operational improvements.

Continued our maintenance of a supportive culture for our staff through a model work environment (MWE):

- Provided ongoing incentives to the division's staff members through recognition awards and promotions, and by meeting their affordable training and development needs.
- Efforts to attract diverse candidates for job and promotion opportunities continued.
- Division's positive MWE was reflected in employee attitude survey results placing it well above the national averages.

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RUNWAY SAFETY AREA INITIATIVE

When we began this effort in the region we had 37 Part 139 runways that did not meet standards out of a total of 102. As of the end of FY05 we had completed to the extent practicable 18 of them, or 48 percent of these runway safety areas. Our goal is to physically complete the remaining 19 RSAs by 2010.

In FY05 we met our goal of physically completing one runway safety area at Cape Girardeau Regional Airport.



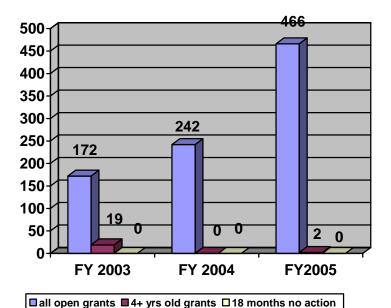
PART 139 CERTIFICATION INSPECTION DISCREPANCIES

Thirty-seven certificated airports were inspected in FY05. Of these, 22 did not have any discrepancies. This compares to 15 with no discrepancies in FY04. Airports Division personnel participated in 10 Runway Safety Action Team (RSAT) inspections in FY05.



GRANT MANAGEMENT

Sponsors are to be congratulated for their efforts in completing projects and closing out grants in a timely manner. At the beginning of the fiscal year, there were 411 open grants. During the year, 183 new grants were issued and 129 grants were closed out. Of the grants closed out, 29 were issued prior to fiscal year 2002. This resulted in closing all but two grants that were four or more years old. Also, sponsors reactivated 100% of grants that were inactive (no drawdowns for 18 months). We are proud of the efforts the Central Region sponsors have made in being good stewards of the AIP funds. Below is a chart depicting the number of grants open, the number of grants four or more years old, and the number of grants for which there have been no financial drawdowns for 18 months or more at the end of fiscal years 2003 through 2005. With your help, we can continue this trend of timely closeouts.



OUTREACH ACTIVITIES



Networking over lunch at our Annual Conference

- 22nd Annual Airports Conference. We hosted our Annual conference on May 24 and 25. Again, over 400 registered for the conference, and over 80% of the evaluations ranged between "good" and "excellent". This year's Conference is set for October 3 and 4, 2006.
- Industry Outreach. Throughout the year, our managers and professional members of the staff attended and made presentations at one or more meetings of the airport managers associations in each of our four states. In addition, we were on the programs of AAAE Great Lakes Chapter and the Airports Consultants Council.
- Airports Website. We continue to maintain and enhance our website for the purpose of providing useful and timely information to our customers. (See back cover)

WORKPLAN OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2006

INCREASED SAFETY

- Conduct required inspections of 40 Part 139 airports. Monitor and enforce all FAR requirements and direct AIP funding to projects needed to meet those requirements.
- Review submitted ACMS within 120 days of receipt.
- Physically complete three Runway Safety Area improvements at DSM, SUX, and JEF.
- Participate in all scheduled Runway Safety Action Team (RSAT) inspections and support AIP funding for eligible RSAT recommendations.
- Place special emphasis on preventing runway incursions resulting from pedestrian/vehicle driver actions.

SYSTEM EFFICIENCY

- Complete paving of new runway at STL and commission the runway in April 2006.
- Direct AIP investments to assure that at least 93% of all runways at NPIAS airports are in "good" or "fair" condition.

ENVIRONMENT

 Issue grants for projects to continue reducing the number of people exposed to aircraft noise of 65 DNL.

SECURITY

Support funding of those TSA required projects that are AIP/PFC eligible.

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ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE

CLOSEOUT OF GRANTS

- Assure that no grants outstanding as of 9/30/06 have been inactive for more than 18 months.
- Close out 95% of all grants issued in FY-2002 and years prior.

TIMELY AIP PROGRAMMING

- Obligate 100% of all funds that have been released by Office of the Secretary of Transportation by September 30, 2006.
- Program 90% of AIP discretionary funds within 60 calendar days after the funds have been assigned to the region.
- Reconcile AIP records with FAA accounting records on a monthly basis.
- Issue 90% of all grants (for construction or equipment) based on bids or a negotiated purchase agreement.

AUTOMATION

- Support and implement continued refinement of the Labor Distribution/Cost Accounting System (CAS/LDR).
- Transition current website into the new FAA web template.

MODEL WORK ENVIRONMENT

- Maintain and build on the Division's supportive culture to better assure achievement of a model work environment.
- Maintain a good labor/management working relationship.
- Redouble our aggressive efforts to attract diverse candidates for job and promotion opportunities.

AIRPORTS DIVISION HOMEPAGE

Below is a depiction of our homepage. We're proud that Central Region's Airports Division was one of the first offices in FAA to take advantage of the emerging web technology a number of years ago. Airport sponsors, their consultants and many others across the country have found it to be a valuable resource and we're committed to continuous improvement.

Find this homepage via the FAA home page or directly at: http://www.faa.gov/airports_airtraffic/airports/regional_quidance/central/

